## **Economic Investments in Arkansas**



BTS invested a total of \$4.5 million in Arkansas in Fiscal Years 2001 and 2002

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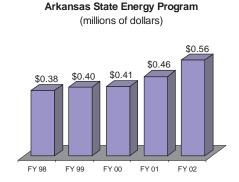
BTS works with partners in the private and non-profit sectors and in state and local governments to make the nation's residential and commercial building stock more energy-efficient, comfortable, affordable, and sustainable.

The mission of DOE's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy is to promote a strong economy, cleaner environment, and more secure future through the development and deployment of energy efficient and renewable energy technologies.



The Arkansas Energy Office in Little Rock, through the State Energy

Program (SEP), received \$462,000 in FY 2001 and \$558,000 in FY 2002 for a variety of activities, including: implementation of the State Energy Plan; improving State Building Energy Codes; and providing public education and awareness efforts (e.g., hotlines, publications, and training).





Cabot Public Schools, Center for the Arts, the city of Marianna, Rebuild Altheimer, Rebuild Arkansas, Rebuild Bradley County, Rebuild America Rebuild Fayetteville, Rebuild Gentry, Rebuild Hector Public

Schools, Rebuild Leslie, Rebuild Little Rock, Rebuild Mississippi County, Rebuild Scotland Public Schools, Russellville School District, Sheridan School District, and the town of Anthonyville received technical assistance from the Rebuild America program valued at a combined total of \$320,000 in FY 2002. This program accelerates energy efficiency improvements in existing commercial, institutional and multifamily residential buildings through privatepublic partnerships created at the community level. It also assists with business planning, technical product development, marketing, workshops, and training for its partners.

The Arkansas Energy Office in Little Rock received \$37,400 from SEP Special Projects Office of Codes and Standards in FY 2000 to provide greater levels of education and information for builders, code officials, and others and to encourage a larger segment of the building community to meet or exceed the minimums of the Energy Code.



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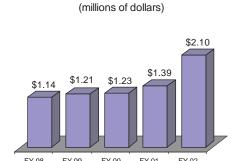
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America's buildings — our homes, workplaces, and institutional buildings — consume roughly \$230 billion worth of energy each year. The average family spends about \$1,300 on home energy. Energy for buildings has environmental as well as economic implications: its production, distribution, and use affect our environment and health through the emission of carbon dioxide, sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides.



The Weatherization Assistance Program, through 21 local service

providers (e.g., community action agencies) is working to increase energy efficiency and reduce the burden of energy costs to low-income Arkansas residents, especially households with elderly members, individuals with disabilities, and families with children. In FY 2001, Federal funding combined with leveraged



**Arkansas Weatherization** 

state and local resources resulted in the weatherization of approximately 1,167 homes. In FY 2002, Arkansas was allocated \$2,096,068 in weatherization funding.

